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A novel cooling mechanism is proposed for neutron stars, based on the recent development in the studies of the QCD phase diagram. A possible appearance of the inhomogeneous chiral phase makes the quark beta decay without gluonic interaction. An estimate of the neutrino emissivity shows the order of $10^{24-26}(T/10^9)^6(\text{erg cm}^{-3} \text{s}^{-1})$ near the phase boundaries, whose efficiency is comparable with the usual quark cooling or pion cooling, but it works only in the limited density region. These features may give another cooling scenario of neutron stars.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The appearance of the inhomogeneous phases near the phase boundary should be a rather common phenomenon in many-body systems. The Fulde-Ferrell-Larkin-Ovchinnikov state is one of the typical examples in superconductivity in the presence of magnetic impurities [1] and has recently been studied in dilute atomic gas [2] or within the context of color superconductivity in QCD [3]. Inhomogeneous phase formation in magnetic materials is another one: spin density wave [4,5] or texture [6]. A similar subject has also been addressed in the QCD phase diagram. The deconfinement and chiral transition have been studied both theoretically and experimentally in the QCD phase diagram [7]. The direct numerical calculation based on the lattice QCD theory should be a most powerful tool for this purpose, but its validity is, for the present, limited to high temperature and low density regions due to the sign problem. On the contrary, the phase structure is also important and interesting in the high-density region in the light of recent progress in the observation of compact stars [8]. Many theoretical studies have been devoted to the chiral transition by the use of the effective models of QCD [7]. Consequently, spontaneous symmetry breaking should be restored at high density, which is specified by the vanishment of the $q\bar{q}$ scalar condensate, $\langle\bar{\psi}\psi\rangle$: it is the order parameter in the chiral transition and takes a finite value in the vacuum to generate the quark or nucleon mass. In these studies it is implicitly assumed that the condensate is scalar and uniform, while Lorentz invariance or parity symmetry no longer holds at finite densities.

Recently there appeared many papers about the possibility of the inhomogeneous chiral phases [9], where the condensates are not restricted to the scalar one and they are spatially nonuniform, stimulated by the mathematical discoveries of the Hartree-Fock solutions in the $1+1$ dimensions [10]; it has been shown that analytic solutions

are obtained in terms of the elliptic functions in the Gross-Neveu model or two-dimensional Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model in the large N limit. The order parameter or the mean field is generalized to be complex as $M(x) = \langle\bar{\psi}\psi\rangle + i\langle\bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\psi\rangle = \Delta(x)e^{i\theta(x)}$, and Baser and Dunne have found the solutions of the self-consistent coupled equations of quark and $M(x)$ for these models. Its direct application is possible for the one-dimensional order in $1+3$ dimensions by embedding the one-dimensional structure and operating the Lorentz boost in the direction perpendicular to it. Actually Nickel has performed this procedure for the real kink crystal (RKC) [11], where $\theta(\mathbf{r}) = 0$. A similar procedure may also be possible for the chiral spiral. The chiral spiral has a history. Nakano and one of the authors (T.T.) have studied the possibility of the inhomogeneous chiral phase in $(1+3)$ -dimensional quark matter within the $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ NJL model [12]. Using $\theta(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}$, the chiral condensates take form, $\langle\bar{\psi}\psi\rangle = \Delta \cos(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r})$, $\langle\bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\tau_3\psi\rangle = \Delta \sin(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r})$, which is a $(1+3)$ -dimensional realization of the chiral spiral in $1+1$ dimensions. They called it dual-chiral-density wave (DCDW). Since the spatial displacement of the condensates is compensated by chiral rotation on the quark field, the external degrees of freedom are mixed with the internal ones; the wave function changes $\psi \rightarrow e^{ik \cdot d} \exp(i\gamma_5\tau_3\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{d}/2)\psi$ following the displacement, $\mathbf{r} \rightarrow \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{d}$.

The physical mechanism has been discussed in Ref. [12]; the nesting effect of the Fermi surface may play a key role as in condensed matter physics [4,5,13–15]. If this is the case, the appearance of the inhomogeneous phase should be rather robust and less model dependent. However, there are still many subjects to be elucidated. In Ref. [11] Nickel suggested that RKC is more favorite than DCDW in symmetric quark matter in the chiral limit by comparing the thermodynamic potential. However, it should be an ideal situation, and we must carefully compare both cases in

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realistic situations, including the model dependence [16,17]. In particular, the effect of the quark current mass [18,19] and magnetic field should be important [20,21]. Actually chiral anomaly plays an important role and DCDW develops in a wide region in the presence of the magnetic field [20,21]. Asymmetric quark matter or chemical equilibrium is also important in compact stars [22]. Thus more elaborate studies are needed to say definite things about the most plausible configuration, the critical density, or the critical temperature. Besides, the relation to other phases such as color superconductivity [23] or the extension to the $SU(3)$ case [24] should be an interesting subject.

On the other hand, it should be important to consider their phenomenological implications. Since the order parameter is spatially nonuniform and takes a periodic function, one may expect elasticity like a Coulomb lattice or liquid crystal [25]. The periodicity of the order parameter may give rise to another effect. The quark wave function accordingly takes a special form dictated by the generalized Bloch theorem [10]; momentum is not a good quantum number, so the condensates should modify the momentum conservation in the elementary processes like the Umklapp process in a solid [26]. Moreover, the appearance of the pseudoscalar condensate is related to magnetic properties [12,21]. Thus it should be interesting and important to figure out how such features manifest by confronting them with physical phenomena. In the relativistic heavy-ion collisions the formation of a quark-gluon plasma has been expected. Some implication of the chiral critical point has been studied theoretically and experimentally [7]. If the inhomogeneous phases are realized during the collisions, they might give rise to some phenomena never discussed yet [27]. In this paper we consider the cooling process in compact stars as an astrophysical implication of the inhomogeneous phases.

The cooling of compact stars has provided us with information about the form of matter at high densities [28]. Recent observations of the surface temperature of young pulsars have suggested that some compact stars such as 3C58 or Vela seem to have rather low temperatures, which should barely be explained by the standard scenario. Such stars might require exotic cooling; quark cooling is one of the fast cooling mechanisms in the core region. On the other hand, Cas A also presents important information about the thermal evolution of young pulsars [29]. Considering the young age of $t = 330$ yr, the observed effective temperature of Cas A also gives a strong constraint on the equation of state and cooling processes. In a recent paper we have presented models that satisfy both cases of Cas A and other cooler stars by considering the quark matter in the core [30].

As a cooling mechanism in quark matter, the neutrino emission by way of the direct Urca process is well known and standard, $d \rightarrow u + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$, $u + e^- \rightarrow d + \nu_e$ [31]. This process works for interacting quarks, while it is strongly prohibited for free and light quarks due to the kinematical condition (*triangular condition*) at low temperature.

The neutrino emissivity is then efficient and proportional to $\alpha_s T^6$ with the QCD coupling constant α_s [32].

Here we discuss a new cooling mechanism, based on the recent development in the understanding of the QCD phase diagram: a possible appearance of the inhomogeneous phases near the chiral transition [7]. Accordingly the chiral condensates modify the elementary process by supplying the extra momentum at the interaction vertex [33].

This paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II we present our framework for calculating the neutrino emissivity, where some characteristic aspects associated with the DCDW phase are pointed out. In Sec. III numerical results for the neutrino emissivity are demonstrated, and their implications for the cooling of hybrid stars are briefly discussed in Sec. IV. The summary and concluding remarks are given in Sec. V. Properties of the quark propagator are summarized in Appendix A. The evaluation of the weak matrix element is presented in Appendix B, and details of angular integrals for obtaining the emissivity in two limiting cases are given in Appendixes C and D.

II. FRAMEWORK

A. DCDW

First we briefly summarize the results about DCDW in the previous work [12]. The DCDW phase can be represented as a chirally rotated state from normal quark matter,

$$|\text{DCDW}\rangle = \exp\left(i \int \theta(\mathbf{r}) A_3^0(\mathbf{r}) d^3r\right) |\text{normal}\rangle \\ \equiv U_{\text{DCDW}}(\theta) |\text{normal}\rangle, \quad (1)$$

where A_i^μ denotes the axial-vector current with the i th isospin component. We restrict the chiral transformation to $U_{I_3}(1)$ around the third axis in the isospin space to preserve the electromagnetic charge of the system. Then we can easily check the following relations:

$$\langle \text{DCDW} | \bar{\psi} \psi | \text{DCDW} \rangle = \Delta \cos(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}), \\ \langle \text{DCDW} | \bar{\psi} i \gamma_5 \tau_3 \psi | \text{DCDW} \rangle = \Delta \sin(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}), \quad (2)$$

for $\theta(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}$, where the amplitude Δ is given by $\langle \text{normal} | \bar{\psi} \psi | \text{normal} \rangle$. In the following we use the NJL model with $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ symmetry in the chiral limit, as an effective model of QCD. When we define the new quark field ψ_W by way of the Weinberg transformation such that

$$\psi_W = \exp(i \gamma_5 \tau_3 \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r} / 2) \psi, \quad (3)$$

ψ_W satisfies the following Hartree equation:

$$(i \not{\partial} - m + 1/2 \gamma_5 \tau_3 \not{q}) \psi_W = 0, \quad (4)$$

with $q = (0, \mathbf{q})$. Here $m = -2G\Delta$ is the dynamical quark mass generated by the quark-quark interaction with the

coupling constant G . The quark eigenstate (quasiparticle) then can be represented by $|\mathbf{p}, \eta, \epsilon\rangle$ with quantum numbers momentum \mathbf{p} , $\eta = \pm 1$ specified by the spin polarization and $\epsilon = \pm 1$ the particle and antiparticle. Accordingly the energy eigenvalues read

$$E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\eta} = \epsilon \left(E_p^2 + |\mathbf{q}|^2/4 + \eta \sqrt{(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2} \right)^{1/2}, \quad (5)$$

with $E_p = (|\mathbf{p}|^2 + m^2)^{1/2}$. Thus the Fermi surfaces of the quasiparticles are deformed in this case: one has the prolate shape and the other the oblate shape (see Figs. 1 and 2).

Choosing \mathbf{q}/\hat{z} without loss of generality, the eigenfunction renders [12]

$$\langle \mathbf{r} | \mathbf{p}, \eta, \epsilon = 1 \rangle = u_W^{\eta}(\mathbf{p}) \exp(i\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \quad (6)$$

with the spinor

$$u_W^{\eta} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^{\eta} \phi_+ + a_2^{\eta} \phi_- \\ b_1^{\eta} \phi_+ + b_2^{\eta} \phi_- \end{pmatrix},$$

where ϕ_{\pm} is the Pauli spinor being specified by $\sigma_z \phi_{\pm} = \pm \phi_{\pm}$ and the coefficients a_i^{η} , b_i^{η} are given by

$$\frac{a_1^{\eta}}{a_2^{\eta}} = \frac{p_-}{p_z} \cdot \frac{m + \eta\beta}{E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\eta} - |\mathbf{q}|/2 - \eta\beta}, \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{b_1^{\eta}}{a_2^{\eta}} = \frac{p_-}{E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\eta} - |\mathbf{q}|/2 - \eta\beta}, \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{b_2^{\eta}}{a_2^{\eta}} = \frac{p_z}{-m + \eta\beta}, \quad (9)$$

for $\tau_3 = 1$ and $q_z = |\mathbf{q}|$, with $\beta \equiv (p_z^2 + m^2)^{1/2}$ and $p_- \equiv p_1 - ip_2$ for the positive-energy solutions. The negative-energy solutions ($\epsilon = -1$) are obtained by replacing $E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\eta}$ by $-E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\eta}$. Note that these eigenfunctions are written in terms of the newly defined quark field ψ_W .

DCDW develops between the onset chemical potential μ_{c1} and the termination one μ_{c2} . Their values and those of the parameters are listed in Table I [12].

B. Neutrino emissivity

We consider the neutrino emissivity in the presence of DCDW, following Refs. [35],[36],[37]. Consider the beta decay of d quarks, $d(p_1) \rightarrow u(p_2) + e^-(p_3) + \bar{\nu}_e(p_4)$ in the DCDW phase, where $p_i = (E_i, \mathbf{p}_i)$ denotes the

TABLE I. Values of the chemical potentials and the parameters in the unit of the cutoff parameter $\Lambda = 850$ MeV.

μ_{c1}	μ_{c2}	m_{c1}	m_{c2}	$ \mathbf{q} _{c1}$	$ \mathbf{q} _{c2}$
0.49	0.53	0.2	0.01	0.55	0.8

four-momentum. Taking the effective interaction as the current-current form, $H_W = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} h_{1+i2}^{\mu} l_{\mu} + \text{H.c.}$, the transition matrix element is given as $W_{fi} \equiv \langle u, e^-, \bar{\nu}_e | H_W | d \rangle = \langle u_W, e^-, \bar{\nu}_e | \tilde{H}_W | d_W \rangle$, where

$$\tilde{H}_W = U_{\text{DCDW}}(\mathbf{q}) H_W U_{\text{DCDW}}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{\tilde{G}_F}{\sqrt{2}} \tilde{h}_{1+i2}^{\mu} l_{\mu} + \text{H.c.} \quad (10)$$

$\tilde{G}_F = G_F \cos \theta_C$ with G_F being the Fermi weak coupling constant and θ_C the Cabibbo angle. Here it is to be noted that the matrix element between eigenstates $|\mathbf{p}, \eta, \epsilon\rangle$ should be calculated by using the untransformed states, $\exp(-i\gamma_5 \tau_3 \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}/2) |\mathbf{p}, \eta, \epsilon\rangle$, as in the pion cooling [35]. The transformed quark current \tilde{h}_{1+i2}^{μ} now reads

$$\tilde{h}_{1+i2}^{\mu} = U_{\text{DCDW}}(\mathbf{q}) h_{1+i2}^{\mu} U_{\text{DCDW}}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q}) = \exp(-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}) h_{1+i2}^{\mu}, \quad (11)$$

by way of the current algebra, which implies that DCDW modifies the momentum conservation at the weak-interaction vertex [38]. The usual triangular condition among \mathbf{p}_1 , \mathbf{p}_2 , and \mathbf{p}_3 is now relaxed by the momentum supply from DCDW, so that the beta decay process becomes possible.

Since quarks should be treated as quasiparticles in our case, the naive application of the emissivity based on the Fermi golden rule is not relevant: we must properly take into account the wave-function renormalization besides the deformation of the Fermi surface. Thus we start with a more general formula. The neutrino emissivity can be then given as [39,40]

$$\epsilon = N_c \tilde{G}_F^2 \int \frac{d^3 p_3}{(2\pi)^3 2E_3} \int \frac{d^3 p_4}{(2\pi)^3 2E_4} E_4 L_{\lambda\sigma} \times n_F(-E_3 + \mu_e) f_B(k_0) \text{Im} \Pi_R^{\lambda\sigma}(k), \quad (12)$$

with $k = (E_3 + E_4 - \mu_e, \mathbf{p}_3 + \mathbf{p}_4)$, the Fermi-Dirac distribution function n_F and the Bose-Einstein one f_B . The information of the quark tensor is summarized in the W boson polarization tensor,

$$\Pi_R^{\lambda\sigma}(k) = T \sum_n \int \frac{d^3 p_1}{(2\pi)^3} \text{tr}[\Gamma^{\lambda} S_W^d(p_1) \Gamma^{\sigma} S_W^u(p_1 - k \pm q)] \quad (13)$$

with $\Gamma^{\mu} = \gamma^{\mu}(1 - \gamma_5)$ and the quark propagator, $S_W^{-1}(p) = \not{p} - m + \gamma_5 \tau_3 \not{q}/2$. Since the contribution from the Dirac sea is small at low temperature and high density, the quark thermal Green's function approximately renders

$$S_W^i \simeq \sum_{\eta=\pm} \frac{\rho_i^{\eta}}{i\omega_n - (E_p^{\eta} - \mu_i)}, \quad (14)$$

in terms of the density matrices ρ_i^{\pm} (see Appendix A), where ω_n denotes the Matsubara frequency, $\omega_n = (2n + 1)\pi T$. After some manipulation, we have an expression for the emissivity,

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$$\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} = 2N_c V^{-1} \left[\prod_{i=1}^4 V \int \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3} \right] E_4 W_{fi} n_F(\mathbf{p}_1) \times (1 - n_F(\mathbf{p}_2))(1 - n_F(\mathbf{p}_3)), \quad (15)$$

where W_{fi} is the transition rate for the beta decay of the d quark in the DCDW phase.

C. Transition rate

The transition rate is given as

$$W_{fi} = V(2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_1 - p_2 - p_3 - p_4 \pm q) |M|^2 / \prod_{i=1}^4 (2E_i V) \quad (16)$$

with

$$|M|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3} |M_{fi}|^2, \quad (17)$$

where the squared matrix element can be evaluated as

$$|M_{fi}|^2 = \frac{\tilde{G}_F^2}{2} \text{tr}(\rho_e \Gamma_\mu \rho_{\nu_e} \Gamma_\nu) \text{tr}(\rho_u \Gamma^\mu \rho_d \Gamma^\nu) \equiv \frac{\tilde{G}_F^2}{2} H^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} \quad (18)$$

in terms of the density matrices, ρ_i , $i = u, d$ for quarks, and

$$\rho_e = \not{x} + m_e, \quad \rho_\nu = \not{x}, \quad (19)$$

for leptons. Note that the sum over the spin polarizations of quarks is taken in Eq. (17). The leptonic tensor $L_{\mu\nu}$ can easily be evaluated as

$$L_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{\sigma_3} \text{tr}(\rho_e \Gamma_\mu \rho_{\nu_e} \Gamma_\nu) = 8[p_{3\mu} p_{4\nu} - g_{\mu\nu} p_3 p_4 + p_{3\nu} p_{4\mu} + i\epsilon_{\alpha\mu\beta\nu} p_3^\alpha p_4^\beta]. \quad (20)$$

The quark tensor $H^{\alpha\beta}$ has a somewhat complicated form. Consider

$$H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{1}{4} \text{tr}(\Lambda_u^\eta \Gamma^\mu \Lambda_d^{\eta'} \Gamma^\nu), \quad (21)$$

for the spin polarization $\eta, \eta' (= \pm 1)$ by the use of the density matrices Λ^\pm in Appendix A. The evaluation of the quark tensor is straightforward to give

$$H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu} = 2[k_1^{\eta,\mu} k_2^{\eta',\nu} - g^{\mu\nu} k_1^\eta k_2^{\eta'} + k_1^{\eta,\nu} k_2^{\eta',\mu} + i\epsilon^{\alpha\mu\beta\nu} k_{1\alpha}^\eta k_{2\beta}^{\eta'}] \quad (22)$$

(Appendix B), where k_i^η is defined as

$$k_1^\eta = \left(p_1^\eta - \frac{q}{2}\right)(1 - p_1^\eta Q_1^\eta) + m^2 Q_1^\eta, \quad k_2^{\eta'} = \left(p_2^{\eta'} + \frac{q}{2}\right)(1 - p_2^{\eta'} Q_2^{\eta'}) + m^2 Q_2^{\eta'}, \quad (23)$$

with $Q_i^\eta = -\eta q / \sqrt{(p_i^\eta q)^2 - m^2 q^2}$ and $p_i^\eta = (E_i^\eta, \mathbf{p}_i)$, where η and η' denote the spin polarization for the d quark and u quark, respectively. Then

$$|M_{fi}^{\eta\eta'}|^2 = \frac{\tilde{G}_F^2}{2} H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} = 32\tilde{G}_F^2 (k_2^{\eta'} p_3)(k_1^\eta p_4), \quad (24)$$

which is reduced to $32\tilde{G}_F^2 (p_2 p_3)(p_1 p_4)$ as $q \rightarrow 0$. After summing over σ_2 and averaging over σ_1 , we immediately get the Iwamoto's result [32].

On the other hand,

$$k_1^\eta \rightarrow \left(p_1^\eta - \frac{q}{2}\right) \left(1 - \eta \frac{\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}|}\right), \quad k_2^{\eta'} \rightarrow \left(p_2^{\eta'} + \frac{q}{2}\right) \left(1 + \eta' \frac{\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}|}\right), \quad (25)$$

in the massless limit. If \mathbf{q} is taken as the z direction, only the half-space is relevant for each momentum integral, depending on η . We shall see the neutrino emission is prohibited in this case, irrespective of \mathbf{q} , by the energy-momentum conservation unless the interaction is not included, as in the direct URCA process. We recall that the driving mechanism for the emergence of DCDW is the level splitting by the mass term between the energy spectra of massless quarks with relative momentum difference \mathbf{q} . Also, since the mass is proportional to the amplitude of DCDW, there should not be left any effect in the massless limit.

III. PHASE SPACE INTEGRAL

Taking [35,41] for references, we try to manipulate the phase space integral for the emissivity (15). The energy-momentum conservation reads

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_3 + \mathbf{p}_4 + \mathbf{q}, \quad (26)$$

$$E_1^\eta = E_2^{\eta'} + E_3 + E_4. \quad (27)$$

Dropping \mathbf{p}_4 in Eq. (26) because of $|\mathbf{p}_4| = O(T)$,

$$(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}/2)^2 \simeq (\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2)^2 + |\mathbf{p}_3|^2 + 2\mathbf{p}_3(\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2), \quad (28)$$

which is recast into

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$$\begin{aligned} (E_1^\eta)^2 - (\eta\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2} + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) \\ \simeq (E_2^{\eta'})^2 - (\eta'\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2} - \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) \\ + |\mathbf{p}_3|^2 + 2\mathbf{p}_3(\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2), \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

where we put $m_u \simeq m_d \equiv m$. Similarly, we find

$$(E_1^\eta)^2 \simeq (E_2^{\eta'})^2 + E_3^2 + 2E_2^{\eta'}E_3, \quad (30)$$

from Eq. (27) by neglecting E_4 again. From Eqs. (29) and (30) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\eta\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2} + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) \\ - (\eta'\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2} - \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) \\ + 2\mathbf{p}_3(\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2) \simeq 2E_3E_2^{\eta'}, \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

where we used $E_3 \simeq |\mathbf{p}_3|$.

A. Case of the massless-quark limit

First, we consider the massless limit by setting $m = 0$. Equation (31) is then reduced to a simple one,

$$\begin{aligned} \eta|\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}| \left(1 + \eta \frac{\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}|}\right) - \eta'|\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}| \left(1 - \eta' \frac{\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}|}\right) \\ + 2\mathbf{p}_3(\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2) \simeq 2E_3E_2^{\eta'}. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

The first two terms should be vanished for the nonzero value of k_i^α from Eq. (25). Using Eq. (25), the squared matrix element (24) is also reduced to a simple one,

$$\begin{aligned} |M_{fi}^{m'}|^2 = 32\tilde{G}_F^2(k_1^\eta p_4) \left(1 + \eta' \frac{\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}|}\right) \\ \times (E_2^{\eta'}E_3 - (\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{p}_3), \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

which gives no contribution due to Eqs. (25) and (32). Generally the emissivity is vanished as \mathbf{q} or m goes to zero as it should be.

Since the Fermi surface is well deformed as the wave vector \mathbf{q} increases [12], the general expression of the emissivity is difficult to be evaluated. However, one may estimate it by considering the specific cases near the phase boundaries of the DCDW phase, where the deformation is very weak at one side and extremely strong at the other side.

B. Near the onset density of DCDW

1. Effective Fermi sphere

First, we consider the cooling rate near the onset density of the DCDW phase, where the deformation of the Fermi surface is not so remarkable (Fig. 1). So, one may introduce the effective

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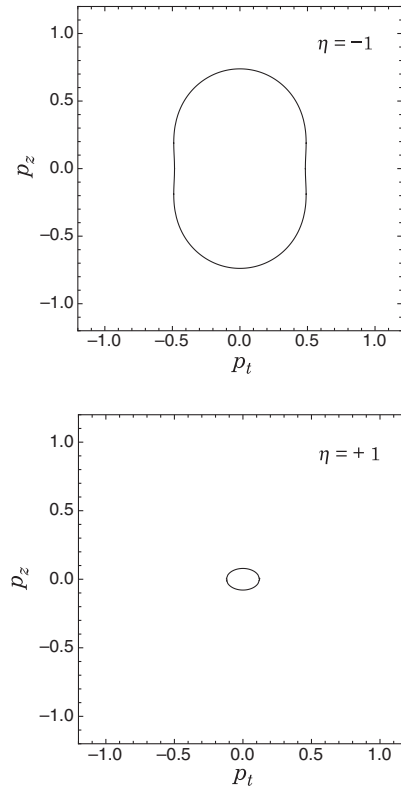


FIG. 1. Fermi surfaces at the onset density with an arbitrary scale. The top panel denotes that of the majority particle with the spin polarization $\eta = -1$, while the bottom panel denotes that of the minority particle with $\eta = +1$. $p_t = (p_x^2 + p_y^2)^{1/2}$ and all the values of momenta are written in the unit of the cutoff parameter Λ .

Fermi sphere instead of the realistic Fermi surface, keeping the volume fixed. The Fermi sphere of the minor spins is already sufficiently small, and we can safely discard its contribution (one Fermi sea approximation); we, hereafter, consider only the u, d quarks with $\eta = \eta' = -1$. Moreover, since the dynamical quark mass is rather small compared with the quark chemical potentials, $m_u \simeq m_d \ll \mu_i$, we may treat them as massless quarks. The volume of each Fermi sphere can easily be evaluated,

$$\begin{aligned} V_F^i &= 2\pi \int_0^{p_z^{\max}} dp_z [|\mathbf{q}| \sqrt{m^2 + p_z^2 - p_z^2 + \mu_i^2 - m^2 - |\mathbf{q}|^2/4}] \\ &= 2\pi \left[|\mathbf{q}|/2 \left(p_z^{\max} \sqrt{p_z^{\max,2} + m^2} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + m^2 \ln \left(\frac{p_z^{\max} + \sqrt{p_z^{\max,2} + m^2}}{m} \right) \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{p_z^{\max,3}}{3} + (\mu_i^2 - m^2 - |\mathbf{q}|^2/4) p_z^{\max} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

where $p_z^{\max} \simeq \sqrt{(\mu_i + |\mathbf{q}|/2)^2 - m^2}$ for each u or d quark. Thus the radius of the effective Fermi sphere is given as

$$\bar{p}_{Fi} \simeq (\mu_i + |\mathbf{q}|/2) \left[\frac{4\mu_i - |\mathbf{q}|}{4\mu_i + 2|\mathbf{q}|} \right]^{1/3} \simeq \mu_i + |\mathbf{q}|/4 + \dots, \quad (35)$$

where we have used $\mu_i \gg |\mathbf{q}|/2 \simeq m$. Note that the quark energy is now approximated as $E_{\mathbf{p}}^{\pm} \simeq |\mathbf{p}|$ within the same approximation. In the following we evaluate the emissivity by assuming massless quarks in the presence of DCDW. Usually it vanishes in the absence of DCDW by the kinematical conditions. Following Iwamoto [32], we begin with the formula,

$$|M_{fi}^{m'}|^2 = 32\tilde{G}_F^2(p_1 \cdot p_4)(p_2 \cdot p_3), \quad (36)$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} \simeq \frac{3}{(2\pi)^8} \bar{p}_{Fu}^2 \bar{p}_{Fd}^2 \mu_e^2 \int dE_1 dE_2 dE_3 E_4^2 dE_4 \delta(E_1 - E_2 - E_3 - E_4) \prod_{i=1}^3 (2E_i)^{-1} \\ \times n(\mathbf{p}_1)[1 - n(\mathbf{p}_2)][1 - n(\mathbf{p}_3)] \left(\prod_{i=1}^4 \int d\Omega_i \right) |M_{fi}^{m'}|^2 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{p}_4 - \mathbf{q}), \quad (38)$$

where only one polarization has been taken into account for the initial d quarks. First we can proceed with the angular integral as in the pion-condensed case [35],

$$A \equiv \prod_{i=1}^4 \left(\int d\Omega_i \right) |M_{fi}^{m'}|^2 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{p}_4 - \mathbf{q}). \quad (39)$$

In the following, the neutrino momentum \mathbf{p}_4 in the delta function is dropped because of $|\mathbf{p}_4| = O(T)$. After integrating with respect to the angle Ω_4 with the squared matrix element (37), one has

$$A \simeq \frac{32}{2\pi^2} \tilde{G}_F^2 E_1 E_2 E_3 E_4 \tilde{A}, \quad (40)$$

where

$$\tilde{A} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) (1 - \cos \theta_{23}) \int d^3x e^{i(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \\ \simeq \frac{64\pi^5}{|\mathbf{p}_1||\mathbf{p}_2||\mathbf{q}|}. \quad (41)$$

The derivation of \tilde{A} is given in Appendix C. Note that this integral gives a finite value only if the triangle condition is satisfied in the limit $|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0$ as shown in Appendix C. The remaining phase-space integration in Eq. (38) leads to the emissivity,

$$\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} \simeq \frac{3}{(2\pi)^5} \mu_u \mu_d \frac{\mu_e^2}{2|\mathbf{q}|} 32\tilde{G}_F^2 I, \quad (42)$$

with

for the squared matrix element. Note that the factor 2 is different from [32] since only the one polarization is relevant. It can be further written as

$$|M_{fi}^{m'}|^2 \simeq 32\tilde{G}_F^2 E_1 E_2 E_3 E_4 (1 - \cos \theta_{14})(1 - \cos \theta_{23}), \quad (37)$$

where θ_{14} (θ_{23}) is the angle between momenta of the d quark and neutrino (the angle between momenta of the u quark and electron).

2. Expression of the emissivity

Setting the momentum magnitudes of quarks and electrons equal to their values on the respective Fermi surfaces, one obtains

$$I = \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dE_i \right) \int_0^{\infty} dE_4 E_4^3 \delta(E_1 - E_2 - E_3 - E_4) \\ \times n(\mathbf{p}_1)[1 - n(\mathbf{p}_2)][1 - n(\mathbf{p}_3)] = \frac{457}{5040} \pi^6 T^6. \quad (43)$$

The emissivity of the neutrino process, $u + e^- \rightarrow d + \nu_e$, gives the same contribution as that of the process, $d \rightarrow u + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$. Therefore, by multiplying a factor 2, one finally has

$$\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} \simeq \frac{457}{1680} \pi \tilde{G}_F^2 \mu_u \mu_d \frac{\mu_e^2}{|\mathbf{q}|} T^6. \quad (44)$$

Assuming $\mu_u = \mu_d$, as in the noninteracting u, d quark matter, and using the values in Table I, we can estimate its numerical value as

$$\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} \simeq 6.1 \times 10^{26} (\rho_B/\rho_0)^{2/3} Y_e^{2/3} T_9^6 \text{ (erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}\text{)}, \quad (45)$$

where Y_e is the electron number fraction in quark matter, $Y_e = \rho_e/\rho_B$, ρ_0 is the nuclear saturation density, $\rho_0 \simeq 0.17 \text{ fm}^{-3}$, and $T_9 \equiv T/10^9 \text{ (K)}$.

C. Near the termination density of DCDW

1. Deformation of the Fermi surface

Near the termination density the dynamical quark mass is also very small while the wave vector \mathbf{q} is still large. The quark energy is well approximated as $E_{\mathbf{p}} \simeq |\mathbf{p} \pm \mathbf{q}|/2$ for major quarks: the Fermi seas are then remarkably deformed to be almost separated spheres with centers shifted by \mathbf{q} (see Fig. 2). Using Eq. (31), we have the squared matrix element (24),

$$|M_{fi}^{\eta\eta'}|^2 \simeq 32\tilde{G}_F^2 \left[\{E_1 E_4 - (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{p}_4\} \left\{ \frac{\eta}{2} \frac{m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \left(1 + \eta' \frac{\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \eta' \frac{m^2 (\mathbf{p}_3 + \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \left(1 - \eta \frac{\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right) \right\} + \frac{1}{2} m^2 (\mathbf{p}_4 \cdot \mathbf{q}) \left(1 + \eta \frac{\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right) \right. \\ \left. \times \left(1 + \eta' \frac{\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right) - \eta\eta' \frac{m^4 (\mathbf{p}_3 + \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q} (\mathbf{p}_4 \cdot \mathbf{q})}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2} \sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right] \quad (46)$$

with the proper momentum restriction. Note that it has obviously vanished when $m \rightarrow 0$ or $|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0$.

Next consider the angular integrations of the squared matrix element. Since one spin polarization is dominant, it is sufficient to consider only the case where $\eta = \eta' = -1$ for u, d quarks.

We first perform the angular integration in (15),

$$B = \left(\prod_{i=1}^4 \int d\Omega_i \right) |M_{fi}^{\eta\eta'}|^2 \delta^3(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{p}_4 - \mathbf{q}). \quad (47)$$

Near the termination density, $m \ll |\mathbf{p}_i| \simeq \mu_i < |\mathbf{q}|$ ($i = u, d$) (see Table I). Thereby we make an approximation to neglect the terms $m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2$ appearing in the denominators in the four parentheses (\dots) in Eq. (46). Furthermore we drop \mathbf{p}_4 from the delta function in Eq. (47) since $|\mathbf{p}_4| = O(T)$. Then, substituting the matrix element (46) into (47) and after integrating with respect to the angle Ω_4 , one obtains

$$B = \frac{32}{2\pi^2} \tilde{G}_F^2 m^2 E_1^\eta E_4 \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3x e^{i(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \left[\frac{|\mathbf{q}|^2}{2} \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \left(1 - \frac{\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}|} \right) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \left(1 + \frac{\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}|} \right) \right\} + \frac{\mathbf{p}_3 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \left(1 + \frac{\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}|} \right) \right]. \quad (48)$$

The available range of the momenta \mathbf{p}_1 and \mathbf{p}_2 contributing to B is such that $\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q} > 0$ and $\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q} < 0$, which result from $(1 + \mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}/|\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{q}|) > 0$ and $(1 - \mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}/|\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}|) > 0$ in Eq. (48). As illustrated in Fig. 3, only the d quarks occupying the upper part of the “two-center” Fermi surface and u quarks occupying the lower part of the two-center Fermi surface contribute to the reaction. Changing the variables $\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2$ to the new ones,

$$\mathbf{p}'_1 \equiv \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}/2, \quad \mathbf{p}'_2 \equiv \mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{q}/2, \quad (49)$$

we have, from Eq. (5),

$$E_1^\eta \simeq |\mathbf{p}'_1|, \quad E_2^{\eta'} \simeq |\mathbf{p}'_2|, \quad (50)$$

which means both the angular integrations with respect to \mathbf{p}'_i ($i = 1, 2$) have spherical symmetry. In terms of the new variables $\mathbf{p}'_1, \mathbf{p}'_2$, B is rewritten as

$$B = \frac{32}{2\pi^2} \tilde{G}_F^2 m^2 E_1^\eta E_4 (\tilde{B}_1 + \tilde{B}_2 + \tilde{B}_3), \quad (51)$$

where

$$\tilde{B}_1 = - \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3x \exp[i(\mathbf{p}'_1 - \mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{p}_3) \cdot \mathbf{x}] \frac{|\mathbf{q}|^2}{\sqrt{\{(\mathbf{p}'_1 + \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}\}^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \simeq -32\pi^5 \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}'_1|^2 |\mathbf{p}'_2| |\mathbf{p}_3|} \log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right), \quad (52a)$$

$$\tilde{B}_2 = \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3x \exp[i(\mathbf{p}'_1 - \mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{p}_3) \cdot \mathbf{x}] \frac{|\mathbf{q}|^2}{\sqrt{\{(\mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}\}^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \simeq 32\pi^5 \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}'_1| |\mathbf{p}'_2|^2 |\mathbf{p}_3|} \log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right), \quad (52b)$$

$$\tilde{B}_3 = \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3x \exp[i(\mathbf{p}'_1 - \mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{p}_3) \cdot \mathbf{x}] \frac{2(\mathbf{p}_3 \cdot \mathbf{q})}{\sqrt{\{(\mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}\}^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \\ \simeq 16\pi^5 |\mathbf{q}| \frac{|\mathbf{p}'_1|^2 - |\mathbf{p}'_2|^2 - |\mathbf{p}_3|^2}{|\mathbf{p}'_1| |\mathbf{p}'_2|^4 |\mathbf{p}_3|} \left[\log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right) - 2 \right]. \quad (52c)$$

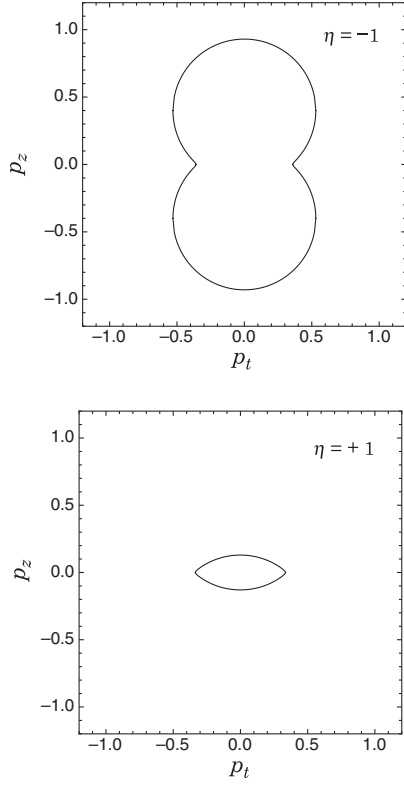


FIG. 2. Fermi surfaces at the termination density with arbitrary scale. The meaning of the legend and symbols are the same as in Fig. 1.

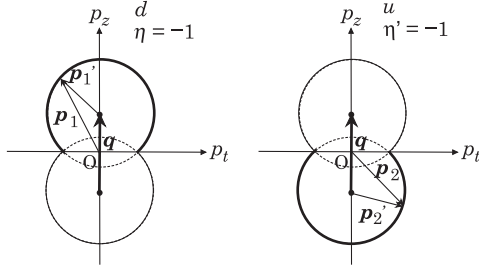


FIG. 3. Schematic view of the Fermi surfaces for d quarks with $\eta = -1$ and u quarks with $\eta' = -1$ near the termination density. See the text for the meaning of the legend and symbols.

The details of evaluating the \tilde{B}_i ($i = 1-3$) are shown in Appendix D.

2. Expression of the emissivity

By the use of Eqs. (51) and (52) for the angular integral B , the emissivity [Eq. (15)] is written in the case of the region near the termination density as

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} &\simeq \frac{3}{(2\pi)^8} |\mathbf{p}_{Fu}|^2 |\mathbf{p}_{Fd}|^2 \mu_e^2 \int dE_1 dE_2 dE_3 dE_4 \\ &\times \delta(E_1 - E_2 - E_3 - E_4) \prod_{i=1}^3 (2E_i)^{-1} \\ &\times n(\mathbf{p}_1) [1 - n(\mathbf{p}_2)] [1 - n(\mathbf{p}_3)] B, \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

where $|\mathbf{p}_{Fi}|$ ($i = u, d$) is the Fermi momentum of the quark. Noting that $|\mathbf{p}'_1| \sim E_1$, $|\mathbf{p}'_2| \sim E_2$, $|\mathbf{p}_3| \sim E_3$, $|\mathbf{p}_4| = E_4$ and by the use of Eq. (43), one can perform the remaining phase-space integrations in (53). With the help of the chemical equilibrium relation,

$$\mu_d = \mu_u + \mu_e, \quad (54)$$

and by multiplying a factor of 2 to take into account the neutrino process, $u + e^- \rightarrow d + \nu_e$, one obtains the final expression for the emissivity,

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{457}{1680} \pi \tilde{G}_F^2 m^2 |\mathbf{q}| \frac{\mu_e}{\mu_u} T^6 \\ &\times \left\{ \log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right) + \frac{\mu_d}{\mu_u} \left[\log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right) - 2 \right] \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

Assuming again $\mu_u \simeq \mu_d$ in the u, d quark matter, and using the values in Table I, we can estimate the numerical value,

$$\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}} = (2.16 \times 10^{24}) \left(\frac{\rho_B}{\rho_0} \right)^{1/3} Y_e^{1/3} T_9^6 \quad (\text{erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}). \quad (56)$$

IV. DISCUSSION

In both regions near the onset density (I) and near the termination density (II), the wave vector \mathbf{q} , which marks the inhomogeneity of the DCDW phase, plays an essential role in the enhancement of neutrino emissions via the quark beta decay. Owing to the existence of \mathbf{q} , there is no need to supply energy and momentum to the reactions through spectator particles. As a result, the available phase space for the quark beta decay in the DCDW phase is enough to give a large neutrino emissivity, which is proportional to T^6 , as is the case with other exotic cooling mechanisms [32,35–37].

The neutrino emissivity in the DCDW phase near the onset density, $\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}}^{(\text{I})}$, is proportional to $1/|\mathbf{q}|$ [Eq. (44)]. This \mathbf{q} dependence originates from the angular integral of the phase factor, $\exp(-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x})$ in (41), and such specific momentum dependence is similar to that in the pion-condensed case, where the neutrino emissivity, given on the basis of spherical Fermi surfaces for baryons, is proportional to $1/|\mathbf{k}|$ with $|\mathbf{k}|$ being the momentum of the p -wave pion condensates [35,36]. The magnitude of $\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}}^{(\text{I})}$ [Eq. (45)] is of the same order as those for normal quark cooling [32] and pion cooling [35,36]. On the other hand, the neutrino emissivity in the DCDW phase near the termination density, $\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}}^{(\text{II})}$, has a complicated dependence on $|\mathbf{q}|$ and m including the terms $\propto m^2 |\mathbf{q}| \log(2|\mathbf{q}|/m)$ [Eq. (55)], which reflects a singular structure of the quark tensor originating from the deformed Fermi surface [see Figs. 2 and 3]. The resulting emissivity $\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}}^{(\text{II})}$ is smaller than $\epsilon_{\text{DCDW}}^{(\text{I})}$ by 2 orders of magnitude [see Eqs. (45) and

[56]) but is still larger than emissivities for standard cooling processes such as the modified Urca process by a factor of $\sim 10^3/T_9^2$ [42].

It should be noted that the enhancement of neutrino emissions works in the limited density region, because the DCDW phase appears only near the chiral transition. Only the shell region of the radius width ΔR inside hybrid stars is responsible to the fast cooling mechanism. If enhanced, the cooling region is limited only to such inhomogeneous phases; heavier compact stars may not necessarily cool faster than lighter ones. This opens up another possibility for explaining the thermal evolution of Cas A and other cooler stars in a consistent way, as recently proposed by Noda *et al.* based on the model separating the quark matter region into the color-flavor-locked phase and the non-superconducting quark phase [30].

V. SUMMARY AND CONCLUDING REMARKS

We have proposed a novel cooling mechanism (DCDW cooling) of hybrid stars, based on the idea of the inhomogeneous chiral phase. It originates from the nonperturbative effect of QCD at moderate densities. We have shown that the beta decay process becomes possible in the DCDW phase due to the momentum supply by DCDW at the weak-interaction vertex. The emissivity is estimated near the phase boundaries of the DCDW phase to be the order of $10^{24-26}T_9^6$ (erg cm $^{-3}$ s $^{-1}$), whose value may be comparable with that by the quark cooling [32] or pion cooling [35,36]. Another important point is that this mechanism works in the limited density region where the DCDW phase appears. This feature is similar to the Cooper pair-breaking-formation process, where the limited density region is efficient in the superfluid phase [43].

If we incorporate this mechanism in the calculation of the cooling curves of young neutron stars, further works are needed that consider the realistic equation of state of cold catalyzed quark matter instead of flavor symmetric quark matter and the numerical values of emissivity over the whole region of the DCDW phase without the restriction to the phase boundaries [44]. The effects of the magnetic field are also an interesting subject, since there should be a large magnetic field inside compact stars. The appearance of DCDW appears to be robust and less model dependent in the presence of the magnetic field [20,21,45].

In this paper we considered the DCDW phase as a typical inhomogeneous chiral phase, but the similar mechanism may be possible for other configurations such as RKC.

It is also interesting to seek other phenomenological implications of the inhomogeneous chiral phases by considering their elasticity [46] or magnetic properties.

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APPENDIX A: QUARK PROPAGATOR IN THE DCDW PHASE

The quark propagator is given by

$$S_W^i(p) = \frac{1}{\not{p} - m + \gamma_5 \tau_3 \not{q} 2} \equiv \frac{N^i}{D}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

with $i = u, d$ for $\tau_3 = \pm 1$, respectively, in the DCDW phase within the mean-field approximation [12], where the index W indicates that we define the new quark field by way of the Weinberg transformation from the original one,

$$\psi_W \equiv \exp(i\gamma_5 \tau_3 \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}/2) \psi. \quad (\text{A2})$$

The numerator N^i is

$$N^i = (\not{p} + m - \gamma_5 \tau_3 \not{q} 2)(p^2 - m^2 + q^2/4 - (pq - m\mathbf{q})\gamma_5 \tau_3), \quad (\text{A3})$$

and the denominator D is

$$D = (p^2 - m^2 + q^2/4)^2 - ((pq)^2 - m^2 q^2). \quad (\text{A4})$$

The solutions for $D = 0$, which is a transcendental equation, give the four energies corresponding to positive and negative solutions with two polarizations $\eta = \pm 1$: the positive energy solutions are given by

$$E_p^\pm = \sqrt{E_p^2 + |\mathbf{q}|^2/4} \pm \sqrt{(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}, \quad (\text{A5})$$

with $E_p = (m^2 + |\mathbf{p}|^2)^{1/2}$.

The density matrix for the positive-energy state is then given as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_i^\pm &= \text{Res} S_W^i(p)|_{p_0=E_p^\pm} \\ &= \frac{(\not{p} + m - \gamma_5 \tau_3 \not{q} 2)|_{p_0=E_p^\pm} (1 \pm \hat{s}(p) \tau_3)}{4E_p^\pm} \\ &\equiv \frac{\Lambda_i^\pm}{4E_p^\pm}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A6})$$

with $\hat{s}(p) \equiv (\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} + m\mathbf{q})\gamma_5 / \sqrt{(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}$, $\hat{s}^2(p) = 1$. We can easily check

$$\sum_{p_0=E_p^\pm} \text{Res} S_W^i(p) \rightarrow \frac{\not{p} + m}{2E_p}, \quad (\text{A7})$$

as should be in the limit, $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0$. Thus the i quark propagator can be written as

$$S_W^i \simeq \sum_{\eta=\pm} \frac{\rho_i^\eta}{i\omega_n - (E_p^\eta - \mu_i)}, \quad (\text{A8})$$

once only the positive-energy state is relevant.

APPENDIX B: QUARK TENSOR

We calculate the quark tensor $H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu}$, which is given by

$$H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr}[\Lambda_u^{\eta'} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \Lambda_d^\eta \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5)]. \quad (\text{B1})$$

From Eq. (A6) in Appendix A, the density matrix Λ_i^\pm for quark ($i = u, d$) is written as

$$\Lambda_i^\eta = \left(p_i^\eta + m - \gamma_5 \frac{\tau_3}{2} \hat{q} \right) \left[1 + \eta \frac{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q} + m\hat{q})\gamma_5\tau_3}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right], \quad (\text{B2})$$

where $\eta = \pm 1$, and $\tau_3 = 1$ ($\tau_3 = -1$) for $i = u$ ($i = d$). The four-vectors, p_i^η and q , are represented as $p_i^\eta = (E_{p_i}^\eta, \mathbf{p}_i)$ and $q^\alpha = (0, \mathbf{q})$, respectively. After manipulation with the Dirac matrices, one obtains

$$\Lambda_i^\eta = \left(m + A_i^\eta - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\eta m}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}} \not{q} \right) + \left(B_i^\eta + \mathcal{C}_i^\eta + \eta \frac{m\tau_3 \not{p}_i \not{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}} \right) \gamma_5, \quad (\text{B3})$$

where $A_i^\eta = \gamma^\mu (A_i^\eta)_\mu$, $\mathcal{C}_i^\eta = \gamma^\mu (C_i^\eta)_\mu$, and

$$A_i^\eta \equiv p_i^\eta + \eta \frac{1}{2} q \frac{\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}}, \quad (\text{B4a})$$

$$B_i^\eta \equiv \eta m \frac{\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q} \tau_3}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}}, \quad (\text{B4b})$$

$$C_i^\eta \equiv \eta p_i^\eta \frac{\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q} \tau_3}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}} + \eta \frac{m^2 q \tau_3}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{q})^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}} + \frac{\tau_3}{2} q, \quad (\text{B4c})$$

Substitution of Eq. (B3) into $\Lambda_u^{\eta'}$ and Λ_d^η on the right-hand side of Eq. (B1) leads to

$$H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}[(A_u^{\eta'} + \mathcal{C}_u^{\eta'}) \gamma^\mu (A_d^\eta + \mathcal{C}_d^\eta) \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5)]. \quad (\text{B5})$$

By the use of the formulas, $\text{tr}(\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma) = 4(g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} - g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} + g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho})$, $\text{tr}(\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma \gamma^5) = -4i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$, where $\epsilon^{0123} = -\epsilon_{0123} = +1$, one finally obtains

$$H_{\eta\eta'}^{\mu\nu} = 2[k_1^{\eta,\mu} k_2^{\eta',\nu} - g^{\mu\nu} k_1^\eta k_2^{\eta'} + k_1^{\eta,\nu} k_2^{\eta',\mu} + i\epsilon^{\alpha\mu\beta\nu} k_{1\alpha}^\eta k_{2\beta}^{\eta'}], \quad (\text{B6})$$

where

$$k_1^\eta = \left(p_1^\eta - \frac{q}{2} \right) (1 - p_1^\eta Q_1^\eta) + m^2 Q_1^\eta, \\ k_2^{\eta'} = \left(p_2^{\eta'} + \frac{q}{2} \right) (1 - p_2^{\eta'} Q_2^{\eta'}) + m^2 Q_2^{\eta'}, \quad (\text{B7})$$

with $Q_i^\eta = -\eta q / \sqrt{(p_i^\eta q)^2 - m^2 q^2}$. The spin polarization for the u quark is denoted as η' .

APPENDIX C: ANGULAR INTEGRAL: NEAR THE ONSET DENSITY OF THE DCDW

In Appendix C, we evaluate the angular integral \tilde{A} [Eq. (41)],

$$\tilde{A} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) (1 - \cos \theta_{23}) \int d^3 x e^{i(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{x}}. \quad (\text{C1})$$

\tilde{A} is separated into two parts: $\tilde{A} = \tilde{A}_1 + \tilde{A}_2$ with

$$\tilde{A}_1 = \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3 x \exp[i(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{x}] \quad (\text{C2})$$

and

$$\tilde{A}_2 = - \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \cos \theta_{23} \times \int d^3 x \exp[i(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{x}]. \quad (\text{C3})$$

The \tilde{A}_1 is represented by the use of the spherical Bessel function $j_0(x)$ as

$$\tilde{A}_1 = \int d^3 x e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x}} (4\pi)^3 j_0(|\mathbf{p}_1|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_2|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_3|x) \\ = (4\pi)^4 \int_0^\infty dx x^2 j_0(|\mathbf{q}|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_1|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_2|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_3|x) \\ = \frac{64\pi^5}{|\mathbf{p}_1||\mathbf{p}_2||\mathbf{q}|} \quad (\text{C4})$$

for $||\mathbf{p}_1| - |\mathbf{p}_2|| + |\mathbf{p}_3| < |\mathbf{q}| < |\mathbf{p}_1| + |\mathbf{p}_2| - |\mathbf{p}_3|$. This kinematical condition is met in the case near the onset density, since $|\mathbf{p}_1| \sim |\mathbf{p}_2| \sim \mu_{c1} = 0.49\Lambda \gg |\mathbf{p}_3| \sim \mu_e$, and $|\mathbf{q}| = 0.55\Lambda$ (see Table I).

Next consider \tilde{A}_2 . By expanding $\cos \theta_{23}$ in terms of the spherical harmonics, one has

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{A}_2 &= - \int d^3x e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}} (4\pi) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_1|x) \int d\Omega_2 \int d\Omega_3 \\ &\times \frac{4\pi}{3} \sum_{M=-1}^1 Y_1^{M*}(\Omega_2) Y_1^M(\Omega_3) e^{-i|\mathbf{p}_2|x \cos \theta_2} e^{-i|\mathbf{p}_3|x \cos \theta_3} \\ &= (4\pi)^4 \int_0^\infty dx x^2 j_0(|\mathbf{q}|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_1|x) j_1(|\mathbf{p}_2|x) j_1(|\mathbf{p}_3|x),\end{aligned}\quad (\text{C5})$$

where θ_i ($i = 2, 3$) is the angle between \mathbf{p}_i and \mathbf{x} . With $|\mathbf{p}_3| \sim \mu_e \ll \mu_{c1}$, the numerical estimation shows $\tilde{A}_2 \ll \tilde{A}_1$, so that we can safely neglect \tilde{A}_2 in \tilde{A} as compared with \tilde{A}_1 .

APPENDIX D: ANGULAR INTEGRAL: NEAR THE TERMINATION DENSITY OF THE DCDW

In Appendix D, we evaluate the angular integrals, $\tilde{B}_1, \tilde{B}_2, \tilde{B}_3$ [Eq. (52)].

First we consider \tilde{B}_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{B}_1 &= - \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3x \exp [i(\mathbf{p}'_1 - \mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{p}_3) \cdot \mathbf{x}] \\ &\times \frac{|\mathbf{q}|^2}{\sqrt{[(\mathbf{p}'_1 + \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}]^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}}.\end{aligned}\quad (\text{D1})$$

The angular integration over \mathbf{p}'_2 and \mathbf{p}_3 in Eq. (D1) gives

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{B}_1 &= -4(2\pi)^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2 \int d^3x j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_2|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_3|x) \\ &\times \int d\Omega_1 \frac{e^{i\mathbf{p}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}}}{\sqrt{[(\mathbf{p}'_1 + \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}]^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}}.\end{aligned}\quad (\text{D2})$$

Here the factor $e^{i\mathbf{p}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}}$ can be expanded in terms of the spherical Bessel functions and the spherical harmonics as

$$e^{i\mathbf{p}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}} = \sum_{L,M} (4\pi) i^L j_L(|\mathbf{p}'_1|x) Y_L^{M*}(\Omega_1) Y_L^M(\Omega_x), \quad (\text{D3})$$

where the directions of \mathbf{p}'_1 and \mathbf{x} are measured from the direction of \mathbf{q} . Thus we can evaluate the remaining angular integrations of \mathbf{p}'_1 and \mathbf{x} . By the use of the relation, $\int d\Omega_x Y_L^M(\Omega_x) = (4\pi)^{1/2} \delta_{L,0} \delta_{M,0}$, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{B}_1 &= -64\pi^3 |\mathbf{q}|^2 \int_0^\infty dx x^2 j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_1|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_2|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_3|x) \\ &\times \int d\Omega_1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{(|\mathbf{p}'_1||\mathbf{q}| \cos \theta_1 + |\mathbf{q}|^2/2)^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}}.\end{aligned}\quad (\text{D4})$$

In Eq. (D4),

$$\int_0^\infty dx x^2 j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_1|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_2|x) j_0(|\mathbf{p}_3|x) = \frac{\pi}{4|\mathbf{p}'_1||\mathbf{p}'_2||\mathbf{p}_3|} \quad (\text{D5})$$

for $||\mathbf{p}'_1| - |\mathbf{p}'_2|| < |\mathbf{p}_3| < |\mathbf{p}'_1| + |\mathbf{p}'_2|$, and

$$\begin{aligned}\int d\Omega_1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{(|\mathbf{p}'_1||\mathbf{q}| \cos \theta_1 + |\mathbf{q}|^2/2)^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}} \\ = \frac{2\pi}{|\mathbf{p}'_1||\mathbf{q}|} I\left(\frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{2|\mathbf{p}'_1|}, \frac{m}{|\mathbf{p}'_1|}\right)\end{aligned}\quad (\text{D6})$$

with

$$I(a, b) \equiv \log \left| \frac{a+1 + \sqrt{(a+1)^2 + b^2}}{a-1 + \sqrt{(a-1)^2 + b^2}} \right|. \quad (\text{D7})$$

Substituting Eqs. (D5), (D6), (D7) into Eq. (D4), one obtains

$$\tilde{B}_1 \simeq -32\pi^5 \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}'_1|^2 |\mathbf{p}'_2| |\mathbf{p}_3|} \log \left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m} \right), \quad (\text{D8})$$

where we have used $|\mathbf{p}'_1| \simeq |\mathbf{q}|/2$ and $m \ll |\mathbf{p}'_1|$.

Second, \tilde{B}_2 is calculated in a way similar to the case of the \tilde{B}_1 . The result is

$$\tilde{B}_2 \simeq 32\pi^5 \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}'_1| |\mathbf{p}'_2|^2 |\mathbf{p}_3|} \log \left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m} \right). \quad (\text{D9})$$

Finally, we consider \tilde{B}_3 ,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{B}_3 &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 \int d\Omega_i \right) \int d^3x \exp [i(\mathbf{p}'_1 - \mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{p}_3) \cdot \mathbf{x}] \\ &\times \frac{2(\mathbf{p}_3 \cdot \mathbf{q})}{\sqrt{[(\mathbf{p}'_2 - \mathbf{q}/2) \cdot \mathbf{q}]^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}}.\end{aligned}\quad (\text{D10})$$

The angular integration over \mathbf{p}'_1 gives

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{B}_3 &= 8\pi \int dx x^2 \int d\Omega_x j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_1|x) \int d\Omega_2 \int d\Omega_3 \\ &\times 4\pi \sum_{L_2=0}^\infty \sum_{M_2=-L_2}^{L_2} (-i)^{L_2} j_{L_2}(|\mathbf{p}'_2|x) Y_{L_2}^{M_2}(\Omega_2) Y_{L_2}^{M_2*}(\Omega_x) \\ &\times 4\pi \sum_{L_3=0}^\infty \sum_{M_3=-L_3}^{L_3} (-i)^{L_3} j_{L_3}(|\mathbf{p}_3|x) Y_{L_3}^{M_3}(\Omega_3) Y_{L_3}^{M_3*}(\Omega_x) \\ &\times \frac{|\mathbf{p}_3||\mathbf{q}| \cos \theta_3}{\sqrt{(|\mathbf{p}'_2||\mathbf{q}| \cos \theta_2 - |\mathbf{q}|^2/2)^2 + m^2|\mathbf{q}|^2}},\end{aligned}\quad (\text{D11})$$

where the remaining two exponential factors, $\exp(-i\mathbf{p}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{x})$ and $\exp(-i\mathbf{p}_3 \cdot \mathbf{x})$ in Eq. (D10), have been expanded into terms of the spherical Bessel functions and the spherical

harmonics. $Y_{L_3}^{M_3*}(\Omega_x)$ in Eq. (D11) is rewritten as $Y_{L_3}^{M_3*}(\Omega_x) = (-1)^{M_3} Y_{L_3}^{-M_3}(\Omega_x)$. Then, with the help of the orthonormality of the spherical harmonics, $\int d\Omega_x Y_{L_2}^{M_2*}(\Omega_x) Y_{L_3}^{M_3}(\Omega_x) = \delta_{L_2, L_3} \delta_{M_2, M_3}$, Eq. (D11) reads

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{B}_3 &= 128\pi^3 |\mathbf{p}_3| |\mathbf{q}| \sum_{L_2=0}^{\infty} \sum_{M_2=-L_2}^{L_2} (-1)^{L_2} \\ &\times \int_0^{\infty} dx x^2 j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_1| x) j_{L_2}(|\mathbf{p}'_2| x) j_{L_2}(|\mathbf{p}_3| x) \\ &\times \int d\Omega_2 \frac{Y_{L_2}^{M_2}(\Omega_2)}{\sqrt{(|\mathbf{p}'_2| |\mathbf{q}| \cos \theta_2 - |\mathbf{q}|^2/2)^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \\ &\times \int d\Omega_3 (-1)^{M_2} Y_{L_2}^{-M_2}(\Omega_3) \cos \theta_3. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D12})$$

The last integral in Eq. (D12) with respect to the angle of \mathbf{p}_3 yields $\sqrt{4\pi/3} \delta_{L_2, 1} \delta_{M_2, 0}$. Thereby Eq. (D12) reads

$$\tilde{B}_3 = -128\pi^3 |\mathbf{p}_3| |\mathbf{q}| P Q, \quad (\text{D13})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} P &\equiv \int_0^{\infty} dx x^2 j_0(|\mathbf{p}'_1| x) j_1(|\mathbf{p}'_2| x) j_1(|\mathbf{p}_3| x) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{8} \frac{|\mathbf{p}'_2|^2 + |\mathbf{p}_3|^2 - |\mathbf{p}'_1|^2}{|\mathbf{p}'_1| |\mathbf{p}'_2|^2 |\mathbf{p}_3|^2} (< 0), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D14})$$

which is valid for $||\mathbf{p}'_1| - |\mathbf{p}'_2|| < |\mathbf{p}_3| < |\mathbf{p}'_1| + |\mathbf{p}'_2|$, and

$$\begin{aligned} Q &\equiv \int d\Omega_2 \frac{\cos \theta_2}{\sqrt{(|\mathbf{p}'_2| |\mathbf{q}| \cos \theta_2 - |\mathbf{q}|^2/2)^2 + m^2 |\mathbf{q}|^2}} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{|\mathbf{p}'_2| |\mathbf{q}|} J\left(\frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{2|\mathbf{p}'_2|}, \frac{m}{|\mathbf{p}'_2|}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D15})$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} J(a, b) &\equiv (\sqrt{(1-a)^2 + b^2} - \sqrt{(1+a)^2 + b^2}) \\ &+ a I(a, b). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D16})$$

Since $|\mathbf{p}'_2| \simeq |\mathbf{q}|/2$ and $m \ll |\mathbf{p}'_2|$, we have

$$Q \simeq \frac{\pi}{|\mathbf{p}'_2|^2} \left[\log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right) - 2 \right]. \quad (\text{D17})$$

Substituting Eqs. (D14) and (D17) into Eq. (D13), one finally obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{B}_3 &\simeq 16\pi^5 |\mathbf{q}| \frac{|\mathbf{p}'_1|^2 - |\mathbf{p}'_2|^2 - |\mathbf{p}_3|^2}{|\mathbf{p}'_1| |\mathbf{p}'_2|^4 |\mathbf{p}_3|} \\ &\times \left[\log\left(\frac{2|\mathbf{q}|}{m}\right) - 2 \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D18})$$

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